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1. Prior to 25 April 1951, the Volkspolizei Dienststelle (VPD) in Burg was located at the former Waldfrieden airdrome. It numbered about 2,300 police, and new personnel were recruited continually. The VPD was organized into 3 infantry Kommandos, 1 artillery Kommando, and 7 Sonderabteilungen, the 1st a motorcycle unit, the 2d a signal unit, the 3d an engineer unit, the 4th an AT artillery unit, the 5th an AAA unit, the 6th a heavy mortar unit and the 7th an armored unit.

2. The officers of the VPD included:

Rank and Name.Appointment.

VP Kommandeur Neubert, (fnu)

Commanding officer, who, prior to 1945, was adjutant to Colonel General Heinz Guderian

VP Oberrat Stippe, (fnu)

PK officer

VP Oberrat Gutherrnut, (fnu)

Director of training

VP Oberrat Becker, (fnu)

Artillery supply officer

VP oberrat Geicke, (fnu)

Chief of staff, formerly commanding officer of the 6th VP Bereitschaft

VP Oberrat Schmann, (fnu)

Operations officer

VP Rat Schrenner, (fnu)

PK officer

VP Rat Brandis, (fnu)

Infantry supply officer

VP Rat Gottschalk, (fnu)

Ordnance officer

VP Oberkommissar Schoene, (fnu)

SSD liaison officer to the INVA

VP Oberkommissar Boenisch, (fnu)

Propaganda officer

VP Oberkommissar Lopp, (fnu)

Material supply officer.

3. The unit was equipped with infantry arms of all types, 2 T-34 tanks, 2 Soviet SP guns, 2 Soviet long-barreled 150-mm guns, several 76.2-mm AA guns and 3x120-mm mortars. The VPD also had 2 ammunition carriers, 8 to 10 trucks, 10 to 12 passenger cars and several motorcycles.

4. Officers said that the entire unit would hold joint field exercises with Soviet units for four weeks in July 1951. *

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* [] Comment. The report, including the name of the commanding officer, confirms previous information. [] The VPD in Burg [] A strength of 2,300 police mentioned in the present report would indicate that the VPD was brought up to 95 percent of its authorized strength. No such increase in personnel has been observed with other VPDs which average 1,600 to 1,800 police.

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